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Office Action Summary

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10/786,666

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YANG, WEN-CHANG

Examiner

Alfred Joseph Wujciak III

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 22 November 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 2-18 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 2-4, 9 and 11-18 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 5-7 and 10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 8 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 25 February 2004 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- 1) ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - 2) ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - 3) ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

This is the second Office Action for the serial number 10/786,666, PORTABLE SUPPORT DEVICE STRUCTURE, filed on 2/25/04.

The examiner withdraws the allowability claims of 5-8 and 10 in view of new ground of rejection, any inconvenience is regretted.

Priority

Receipt is acknowledged of papers submitted under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d), which papers have been placed of record in the file.

Drawings

The drawings were received on 11/22/05. These drawings are approved.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claim 6-7 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Japan

Patent # 11249647 to Kitamura.

Kitamura teaches a portable device support structure comprising a support section (5) having a plurality of support legs (8), a clamping section (10-11) connected to the support

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section, the clamping section comprises a first and second sections. The first section is movable (left side of 10-11). The structure includes an adjusting member (20), which adjusts the position of the first section with respect to the second section. The clamp section clamps a portable device (guitar) when the portable device is placed between the first and second sections. The second section/clamping section includes a pivotable mounted extension piece (A-C).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kitamura.

Kitamura teaches a portable device support structure comprising a support section (5) having a plurality of support legs (8), a clamping section (10-11) connected to the support section, the clamping section comprises a first and second sections. The first section is movable (left side of 10-11). The structure includes an adjusting member (20), which adjusts the position of the first section with respect to the second section. The clamp section clamps a portable device (guitar) when the portable device is placed between the first and second sections. The second section/clamping section includes a pivotable mounted extension piece (A-C).

Kitamura teaches the first section and pivotably mounted extension piece (A-C) but fails to teach the first section includes a pivotably mounted extension piece. It would have been obvious for one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to have moved the

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pivotably mounted extension piece on the first section to provide designer's preference for the location for the pivotably mounted extension piece to mount on the clamping assembly.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 8 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claims 2-4, 9 and 11-18 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In regard to claim 3, the prior art fails to teach the portable device is a camera cellular phone. In regard to claim 8, the prior art fails to teach wherein the lengths of the pivotably mounted extension piece on the first section and second section are different. In regard to claims 11-18, the prior art fails to teach wherein the clamping section clamps the camera cellular phone when the camera cellular phone is placed between the first section and the second section and when the adjusting member is actuated to apply force on the camera cellular phone between the first section and second section.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 5-8 and 10 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Alfred Joseph Wujciak III whose telephone number is (571) 272-6827. The examiner can normally be reached on 8am-4:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Robert Olszewski can be reached on (571) 272-6815. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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Alfred Joseph Wujciak III
Examiner
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. J. Wujciak III', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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